I am writing to voice my strong objection to the misuse of the public airwaves by Sinclair Broadcasting. I refer to Sinclair's decision to force its stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election.

Clearly, this is an example of the dangers of media consolidation. By law, Sinclair has an obligation to serve the public interest. Airing a partisan smear piece shortly before a presidential election neither serves the democracy nor meets the standards of responsible journalism.

We need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

Thank you.

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